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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: Paul H. Burmeister, Charles L. Euteneuer,
Brian J. Brown, Paul J. Fordenbacher,
Anthony C. Vrba

Application No.: 09/427291

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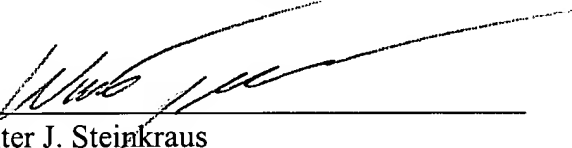
PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR §1.136

Petitioners, Scimed Life Systems, Inc., hereby requests a one month extension of time to respond to the Notice of Appeal filed on January 19, 2004. This petition is accompanied by \$110.00 as set forth in 37 CFR §1.17 and is filed prior to or with the response.

Any outstanding fee for extension should be charged to our Deposit Account, No. 22-0350.

Respectfully submitted,
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